

<u>Incident Name:</u> COVID-19 Public Health Response	End of Day Summary- Public Columbia/Boone County Public Health and Human Services Operational Activity 08/18/2020	<u>Incident Start:</u> March 6, 2020
<u>Agency Reporting:</u> Columbia/Boone County Public Health and Human Services	<u>Incident Commander:</u> Stephanie Browning, Director Scott Clardy, Assistant Director	<u>Prepared By:</u> Rebecca Estes, Senior Planner Chrystal Smart, EPHS
Summarized Operational Time Period:	8:00 AM on 08/18/2020 to 5:00 PM on 08/18/2020	

Incident Definition: Response to emerging Novel Corona Virus, now known as COVID-19. This includes-

- Addressing general public concerns regarding COVID-19
- Providing guidance to stakeholders regarding COVID-19
- Provide surveillance of COVID-19 in community
- Provide case investigation and contact tracing for instances of COVID 19.

Summary of COVID Cases

# of Positive COVID Cases in MO	# of Positive COVID Cases in Boone
	Current: 307
Deaths: 1,402	Released from Isolation: 1,329
Total: 69,417	Deaths: 5
	Total: 1,641

Statistic Charts can be found at:

<http://gocolumbiamo.maps.arcgis.com/apps/MapSeries/index.html?appid=478880b83d5e4d35b646d80fe6f2c2f6>

Operations Report

Significant Events from Operational Period:

- Reviewed screening protocol to minimize COVID exposure in our facility

- Responded/assigned staff to City/County complaints and inquiries.
- Sent ELC Cares documentation to legal.
- Emailed hiring supervisors of positions with CARES Act funding for confidentiality paperwork.
- Staff received update wait time for a patient to establish care with Family Health Center.
- Staff met with Columbia College to discuss case investigation and contact tracing regarding their student population.
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- Issued notice of Violation to local establishment for non compliance with social distancing and mask ordinance.
- Performed a compliance inspection at a local establishment that has a pool and bar on its grounds after receiving complaints.
- Gave interview to KOMU regarding PHHS and MU collaboration for COVID response.
- Gave KOMU interview about contact tracing.
- Prepared a response for schools regarding confidentiality of COVID positive cases that were contagious while at school.
- Met with Family Health Center to determine collaboration on providing care to chronically homeless population in Columbia/Boone County.
- Updated several portions of PHHS website, including page that displays health resources.
- Updated process to direct individual inquiries to PHHS from positive cases and/or contacts to cases.
- Facilitated discussions among feeding programs in the area.
- Updated Incident Command staffing to include a position to address health equity in COVID 19 response.
- Provided RedCap training to new case investigators
- Met with mental health providers who have received crisis counseling state money to determine how to refer individuals for services and ensure Boone County's most underserved population for mental health services are able to access the crisis counseling program.
- Continued case and contact investigations.

Daily Media Review

News

- [Dogs may be able to detect the “odorprint” of COVID-19, study suggests](#) - New study conducted at the University of Pennsylvania suggests that dogs can detect a distinct smell in people who are infected with coronavirus
- [Coronavirus surge forces UNC-Chapel Hill to switch to remote learning one week into new semester](#) - The university reports a jump of greater than 10% among 954 students tested

- [Poll: Less than half of Americans say they'll get a coronavirus vaccine](#) - Interesting divide on the demographics of who would and would not get a coronavirus vaccine, "a majority of Democrats, seniors, Asians, those making at least \$100,000 and those with college degrees all say they would get a vaccine if it's approved by the government."
- [New models suggest COVID-19 herd immunity might be achieved with far fewer people infected](#) - Typically 60 to 70 percent of population needs to be infected before herd immunity can be reached, however some researchers are hopefully suggested that this number could be far less. Estimating at 50% or fewer people required to be infected.

Local News

- KOMU - [Tuesday COVID-19 coverage: Cole County urges masks, distancing](#)
- KMIZ - [Top White House coronavirus expert says all Missourians should wear masks, CMU starts fall semester after testing all students, staff for COVID-19, Boone County Commission discusses CARES Act spending for schools, Increasing COVID-19 cases in Cole County blamed on disregard for health guidelines](#)
- Missourian - [University of Missouri System offers online health tracker, COVID-19 inpatient numbers rise,](#)
- Tribune - [University of Missouri limits events to 20; mandates reporting of positive COVID-19 cases](#)
- FOX 2 Now - [New Mizzou rules mandate notifications of positive COVID-19 tests](#)
- KRCG - [Dr. Birx says her message to Missouri is for everyone to wear a mask, social distance, 40% of Americans struggling with mental health amid COVID-19 pandemic: CDC](#)

Local Chatter

- Discussion on how to setup virtual learning experience for children at home
- Some are urging others to get flu shots to avoid a "twindemic"
- General fear about what is coming in the next few weeks since UNC-Chapel Hill shut down so quickly

Situation Summary:

COVID 19 has reached global transmission.

- Risk Assessment for travel: <https://www.cdc.gov/coronavirus/2019-ncov/travelers/map-and-travel-notice.html>
- All 50 states, The District of Columbia, Puerto Rico, Guam, the Northern Mariana Islands, and the US Virgin Islands have reported cases of COVID-19.
- 27 states report more than 40,000 cases of COVID-19
- For case information by state follow this link:
<https://www.cdc.gov/coronavirus/2019-ncov/cases-updates/cases-in-us.html#reporting-cases>

CDC has begun recommending all individuals wear facemasks to reduce the chance of transmission while out in public as of 4/3/2020. Children under the age of 2 should not wear masks because of suffocation risk.

More than half of the states in the United States have issued state wide mask mandates.

The CDC has updated guidance to change when isolation should end for a positive case of COVID 19, now reflecting one day free of fever and an improvement in symptoms. Isolation should end 10 days after symptoms have started. Links for this updated guidance can be found:

- <https://www.cdc.gov/coronavirus/2019-ncov/hcp/disposition-in-home-patients.html>

US travelers are banned from visiting: EU, Bahamas, China, Mexico, Canada, New Zealand and Japan

At Risk Population: Older Adults (60 years of age or older), People who live in a nursing home or long-term care facility, and People with Chronic Health Conditions (Heart Disease, Lung Disease or Asthma, Diabetes, People who are immunocompromised including cancer treatment, or people who are severely obese)

State Information:

Missouri Governor Parson declared a State Emergency on March 13, 2020 to make state resources available to local jurisdictions and activate certain authorities.

- A total 69,417 confirmed cases in Missouri of individuals who have been diagnosed with COVID 19, 1,402 of those cases have died.
- A list of cases reported by county can be found The Missouri Department of Health and Senior Services operates a website reporting reported cases of COVID 19 in Missouri at:
<https://health.mo.gov/living/healthcondiseases/communicable/novel-coronavirus/results.php>

Missouri's Governor Announced that on June 22 all stay all state restrictions will be lifted, but social distancing is still recommended: <https://governor.mo.gov/press-releases/archive/governor-parson-announces-missouri-will-fully-reopen-enter-phase-2-recovery>

Missouri Department of Elementary and Secondary Education released guidance for re-opening schools for the upcoming school year to start this fall:

- <https://dese.mo.gov/communications/news-releases/dhss-and-dese-address-frequently-asked-questions-about-school-reopening>

State Lab COVID 19 Testing:

<https://health.mo.gov/living/healthcondiseases/communicable/novel-coronavirus-lpha/pdf/mo-pui-guidance.pdf>

MoDHSS hotline staffed by medical professionals: 877-435-8411

City/County Information:

On March 16, 2020 the City of Columbia declared a state of emergency within the city to respond to COVID-19. The resolution includes calling for proactive measures to protect the public health, safety and welfare; expressing support for and calling upon City Manager John Glascock and Public Health and Human Services Director Stephanie Browning to enact regulations to protect the public health, safety and welfare.

- Columbia/Boone County hosts an information hub on COVID Cases that have been identified in the county, as well as information about the catchment area cases that the hospitals serve

- <http://cocolumbiamo.maps.arcgis.com/apps/MapSeries/index.html?>

• <http://gocolumbiainfo.maps.arcgis.com/apps/imapseries/index.html?appid=478880b83d5e4d35b646d80fe6f2c2f6>

- There are 1,641 confirmed cases in Boone County, 5 patients passed away, and 1,329 have recovered from the COVID 19 illness.

Columbia and Boone County issued revised Public Health Orders for Social Distancing to begin on August 10 and continue until another Public Health Order is issued or expire on August 31, they can be found at:

- City Order: <https://www.como.gov/CMS/pressreleases/downloadfile.php?id=2493>
- County Order <https://www.como.gov/CMS/pressreleases/downloadfile.php?id=2494>

Columbia City Council Passed Mask Ordinance that will go into effect at 5:00 PM on July 10, 2020. It can be found: <https://www.como.gov/wp-content/uploads/B168-20A-AKA-Face-Mask-Ordinance.pdf>

Boone County Office of Emergency Management opened a virtual EOC on 3/17/2020 to facilitate the coordination of efforts and resources to keep Boone County safe during COVID-19 response efforts.

Columbia Public Schools updated their start date for the 2020/2021 school year to begin after Labor Day:

- <https://www.cpsk12.org/site/default.aspx?PageType=3&DomainID=4&ModuleInstanceID=896&ViewID=6446EE88-D30C-497E-9316-3F8874B3E108&RenderLoc=0&FlexDataID=59907&PageID=1>

The City of Columbia Neighborhood Services, in their role as Volunteer Coordination of the Boone Emergency Response Plan, has activated a COVID 19 Volunteer webpage, it can be found here: <https://www.como.gov/volunteer/covid/>

The City of Columbia has a dedicated webpage that provides a summary of City of Columbia services as they related to COVID-19 and it can be found here: <https://www.como.gov/coronavirus/>

Received waiver from FDA for non-congregate feeding sites, this allows Columbia Public Schools and other children feeding programs to provide meals to children throughout the summer. <https://www.fns.usda.gov/cn/covid-19/non-congregate-feeding-nationwide-waiver-extension>

As ESF-6 lead, City of Columbia Division of Human Services has activated a COVID-19 Get Help webpage website to list key human services resources needed during the pandemic: COVID-19 Get Help (<https://www.como.gov/health/gethelp-coronavirus/>).

As ESF-6 lead, City of Columbia Division of Human Services has organized five local funders (City, County, United Way, Community Foundation, and VU Foundation) in a collaborative called ComoHelps (<http://comohelps.org>). Through this collaborative we have consolidated financial donations for the COVID-19 response. Financial contributions are being routed to the Heart of Missouri United Way and the Community Foundation of Central Missouri. Nonprofit and governmental volunteer needs are posted, along with the opportunity for community members to sign up as unaffiliated volunteers for assignment as needed.

ComoHelps also developed a single, joint application for nonprofits to submit requests for funding. This expedites access to support for nonprofits and allows us to coordinate funding used in response to the COVID-19 pandemic. The ComoHelps collaborative meets daily to review and prioritize requests and to allocate funding. The current focus is on funding services being provided in response to COVID-19. Requests for nonprofit sustainability are being referred to federal CARES Act programs and tabled for later.

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MU Healthcare hosts a drive thru COVID 19 testing site located at 115 Business Loop 70 W. The site hours of operation to Mon-Fri 8 AM to 7 PM, Saturday 8 AM to Noon, and closed on Sundays.

Boone Hospital hosts a drive thru COVID 19 testing site. This site's hours of operation are Mon-Fri 8 AM-4:30 PM, and Saturdays 8 AM to Noon, closed on Sundays.